

BOARD OF GOVERNORS' COMMITMENT TO A CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICAL STANDARDS

Primary Contact	Board of Governors
Related Policy / Legislation	UFV Statement on Institutional Ethics (22)

PURPOSE/PHILOSOPHY

A member of the Board of Governors of the University of the Fraser Valley holds a special position of trust and commitment.

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Therefore, there is an expectation that he/she will perform this role with the highest standard of conduct and commitment to the following:

1. A Duty of Integrity – to act honestly and in good faith.
2. A Duty of Loyalty – to give his or her loyalty to the university when acting on behalf of the Board of Governors.
3. A Duty of Care – to act in a prudent and diligent manner, keeping himself or herself informed as to the policies, business, and affairs of the university.
4. A Duty of Confidentiality – notwithstanding the need of members to make an informed decision on an issue before the Board of Governors by obtaining input from internal and external communities, members are to ensure that information which is normally considered confidential (i.e., financial and personnel issues) remains so.
5. A Duty of Skill – to use one's level of knowledge and one's expertise effectively in dealing with the affairs of the university.

Newly appointed or elected Board of Governor members will take an Oath of Office which affirms their acceptance of these expectations.

APPENDICES – Oath of Office – Attached

The Board – Oath of Office

The following Oath of Office is normally to be affirmed or sworn, signed and dated before the Board of Governors at the commencement of all members' first meeting with the Board of Governors. In cases where no meeting of the Board is imminent, and waiting for one will impede the ability of a new member to join into the work of the Board, the oath may be sworn before the Board Chair or designate, along with a staff member from the Board Office.

I, name of Board of Governors Member, sincerely promise and affirm that I will truly, faithfully and impartially, to the best of my ability execute the duties and responsibilities of my position as a member of the Board of Governors of the University of the Fraser Valley. I have read and agree to abide by the Board of Governors' Bylaws, Policy Directions and UFV's Standards of Conduct.

Date at City, British Columbia, this date of month, year.

Signature of Board Member